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MBFR NEGOTIATIONS

FROM US REP MBFR

E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: MBFR NEGOTIATIONS: APRIL 10 PLENARY SESSION

1. AT THE APRIL 10 PLENARY SESSION OF THE MBFR NEGOTIATIONS, THE ONLY STATEMENT WAS PRESENTED BY THE NETHERLANDS REP (DE VOS). THE NETHERLANDS STATEMENT, APPROVED APRIL 9 BY THE ADHOC GROUP, ARGUED THAT THE WEST HAD BEEN CONSIDERABLY MORE FLEXIBLE THAN THE EAST IN TERMS OF MODIFICATIONS OF ORIGINAL NEGOTIATING POSITIONS.

2. IN MAKING THIS CASE, DE VOS PRESENTED A DETAILED REVIEW OF WESTERN MOVES SO FAR IN THE NEGOTIATIONS AND CONTRASTED ALLIED FLEXIBILITY WITH EASTERN FAILURE TO
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RESPOND ADEQUATELY TO THE ENUMERATED WESTERN INITIATIVES

OR TO OFFER CONSTRUCTIVE COUNTER-PROPOSALS. DE VOS
CONCLUDED BY INVITING EASTERN PARTICIPANTS TO SHOW FLEX-
IBILITY ON ISSUES OF SUBSTANCE AND THUS TO JOIN THE
ALLIES IN WORKING TOWARD AN AGREEMENT INVOLVING MILI-
TARILY SIGNIFICANT REDUCTIONS, WHICH WOULD ENHANCE
STABILITY WHILE MAINTAINING SECURITY UNDIMINISHED FOR
ALL PARTICIPANTS.

3. THE TEXT OF THE NETHERLANDS STATEMENT WAS SENT BY
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